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SUBJECT: MALAYSIAN REACTION TO HANOI CHARGES

REF: KUALA LUMPUR 487 (DTG 210247Z JAN 77)

1. IN A FURTHER REACTION TO THE SRV ATTACK ON THE JOINT THAI-MALAYSIAN MILITARY OPERATION IN SOUTH THAILAND, THE MFA RELEASED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT JAN 20:

2. BEGIN TEXT: WE ARE STILL CHECKING ON THE COMMENTARY MADE BY RADIO HANOI ON THE CURRENT MALAYSIA/THAI MILITARY OPERATION. IT IS PREPOSTEROUS HOWEVER FOR HANOI  
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TO REGARD THE OPERATION AS HAVING ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OR IT BEING AN ASEAN SCHEME.

3. THE MILITARY OPERATION AGAINST THE COMMUNIST TERRORISTS ALONG THE BORDER IS CARRIED OUT WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF JOINT BORDER COOPERATION BETWEEN MALAYSIA AND THAILAND. BEING A COMMON INTERNAL

PROBLEM AND A COMMON THREAT TO THE PEACE AND  
SECURITY ALONG THE BORDERS BOTH THAILAND AND MALAYSIA  
CAN TAKE ANY STEPS THEY DEEM NECESSARY.

4. BOTH MALAYSIA AND THAILAND HAVE HAD SIMILAR  
OPERATIONS ALONG OUR BORDER FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS.  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONCEPT OF ZONE OF PEACE,  
FREEDOM AND NEUTRALITY, WE DO NOT WISH THE PARTICIPATION  
OF EXTERNAL POWERS IN SOLVING OUR OWN INTERNAL  
PROBLEMS.

5. IT IS IRONICAL THAT VIETNAM WHICH HAS ON A NUMBER  
OF OCCASIONS ASSURED US THAT OUR INTERNAL PROBLEMS  
SHOULD BE SOLVED BY OURSELVES SHOULD AT THIS STAGE  
QUESTION THE ABOVE OPERATION. END TEXT.  
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